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Lieutenant Locatelli Italian Aviator Is Still Missing At 8 o'clock This Morning

Prince of Wales Leaves London and Boards Berengaria Incog

OFFICERS AND CREW OF STEAMER LADY KINDERSLEY ADRIFT IN ARCTIC OCEAN

Kid McKoy Charged With Murder at Los Angeles, California

Washington Hears That Fliers Have Reached Greenland

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—The army air service was officially advised tonight that the United States world fliers had reached Greenland. The information was contained in a message from the cruiser Milwaukee which said that Lieut. Locatelli, the Italian aviator, who started from Iceland with the United States fliers on their 725 mile hop, when last heard of was preceding them by forty minutes. The despatch, which was undated, was signed by Lieut. Bissell of the army service and was filed by way of Louisburg, N.S. It said "Smith and Nelson arrived safely at Fredericksdahl; nothing definite from Locatelli, who, when last heard from was preceding our planes by forty minutes. Details later."

Chancellor Marx Warns Reichstag

BERLIN, Aug. 23.—London Conference for launching Dawes reparation plan gave Germany a chance which is not likely to be renewed if she rejects it. This was Chancellor Marx's warning to Reichstag today in the course of a carefully phrased, but impressive discussion of London negotiations.

Eskimos Hear Plane and Search For Locatelli

On board the U.S.S. LAWRENCE, by wireless via Battle Hr., Labrador and Fogo, Nfld.—Lieut. Smith from Fredericksdahl reports that the natives heard a plane humming above them in Greenland waters Thursday evening. A party of Eskimos are organized to search for Lieut. Locatelli the missing Italian aviator, between Cape Farewell, on the southern point of Greenland and Ivigtut on the south east coast of Greenland, north of where Lieut. Smith and Lieut. Nelson made their landing. The American cruisers Richmond and Raleigh and the destroyer Barry are cruising about looking for the Italian.

ABOARD U.S.S. RICHMOND, Aug. 23.—Lieut. Locatelli, Italian transatlantic aviator who started with the United States world fliers on their Iceland to Greenland hop, was still missing with his companion at eight o'clock this morning. The U.S.S. Raleigh, one of the searching vessels, reports it is too foggy along Greenland Coast to permit use of airplanes in search.

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American Warships Search For Missing Aviator

Aboard U. S. S. Cruiser Richmond on Patrol between Iceland and Greenland, Aug. 23.—Rear Admiral Thomas P. Magruder has ordered the United States cruisers Richmond and Raleigh and the destroyer Barry, to make a search east of Cape Farewell, Greenland, for Lieut. Locatelli, Italian aviator, who accompanied the United States round the world fliers. The search will be made by means of the planes carried by the cruisers for scouting purposes and will be continued indefinitely. Admiral Magruder is preparing to send out a general alarm if Locatelli is not found soon. It is believed by some of the officers of the Richmond that the Italian aviator may have proceeded to Ivigtut instead of halting at Fredericksdahl.

REYKJAVIK, Aug. 22.—Scout planes which were dispatched from the American warships patrolling the North Atlantic to look for Lieut. Locatelli, Italian aviator, who left here with the American fliers yesterday but failed to arrive at Fredericksdahl, Greenland, were forced by dense fog to return this evening without having found any trace of the missing man. This was learned in a message received here to-night. Although very little news from Greenland was received to-day it is believed here that there is cause of alarm as to the fate of the Italian, who has not been heard from since he was sighted by the United States war vessels during the early stage of the American fliers' hop from Iceland to Greenland. Since yesterday it is understood that the weather off the Greenland coast has been good, the winds favourable and the sea smooth, and it is believed most likely that Lieut. Locatelli made a landing. The Gertrude Rask, which took up her station at Angmagaslik, when it was expected the airmen would fly to that point reported that she was clear of ice and that she expected to arrive here by Monday.

The Methodist Guards band gave a very enjoyable Band Concert in Victoria Park last evening, which was largely attended. A classy musical programme was highly enjoyed.

Belgium's Economic Evacuation Begins

BRUSSELS Aug. 22.—Belgium's economic evacuation of the Ruhr, which is a preliminary step to the military evacuation began today. M. Hannecart, head of the Belgian Technical Delegation, left for Dusseldorf, charged with the task of liquidating all the Belgian civil services.

Lone Communist Holds Up German Reichstag

BERLIN, Aug. 22.—A lone Communist today succeeded in defying the Reichstag's rules of order and President Wallraf's bell for more than three hours finally forcing an adjournment of parliament and compelling the cabinet members to retire from the government benches without having submitted the government's statement on the work of the International Conference in London. President Wallraf was helpless in the face of the Communist obstructionist tactics, as the House rules do not permit of such an expedient as police intervention and Dr. Schwars, a graded school teacher and Communist Deputy, therefore, laughed off the President's order to quit the chamber. Chancellor Marx, Foreign Minister Stresemann and Finance Minister Luther, who were prepared to discuss the London agreement, looked on in disgust while the house committee sought to find a solution to the situation. Chancellor Marx finally left the government bench, followed by Dr. Stresemann and other members of the cabinet.

Kid McKoy Charged With Murder

LOS ANGELES, CALIF., Aug. 22.—Death on the gallows or the living death of paralysis and total dementia today appeared to beal I that was left for Kid McKoy, once draper hero of the ring, charged with the murder of Mrs. Tice.

W. Mc's 'et al. on August 12 are reported on the ice twenty miles

Cruiser Richmond Reports No News of Locatelli

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—The first word to be received by the navy from any of its ships along the route of the world flight in the North Atlantic was a brief message that came this afternoon from the cruiser Richmond reporting that no word has been received from the Italian aviator, Lieut. Locatelli. "No news of Locatelli" said the despatch. "Thick fog after leaving the last station, ship 217 miles off Cape Farewell. To wait better weather."

The Prince of Wales En Route to U.S.A. and Canada

LONDON, Aug. 22.—The Prince of Wales has packed his trunks and bid good-bye to his cronies, and with the exception of a few official matters to be attended to to-day, is ready to hand over his tickets to the purser of the Berengaria which will leave to-morrow from Southampton to take him on his second visit to the United States. The Prince of Wales' trip this time will lack the exclusiveness of his first visit, which was made in a British man of war, for the capacity of the Berengaria has been packed by debutantes, who for various reasons are cutting off their European trips to hurry homeward on this particular liner. These marriageable daughters will leave behind several hundred disappointed Americans who have been turned away from the shipping offices the last four or five weeks, since the liner's accommodations for seven hundred passengers are all taken, and who constitute a long list of expectant ones awaiting possible last minute cancellations. Since the Berengaria arrived in port Tuesday a corps of plumbers, carpenters, painters and upholsterers have been busy redecorating the Imperial suite which His Royal Highness will occupy. The suite, consisting of two bedrooms, saloon and breakfast room, now is in spotless white and gray chintz covered chairs and draperies new furniture and fixtures and other improvements including a tiled bathroom.

Liner Majestic Grounds on Sand Bank

SOUTHAMPTON, Aug. 22.—The giant steamship Majestic, inbound from New York, grounded on a sand bank at the entrance to Southampton water at low tide this afternoon, but was refloated with the aid of two tugs a short time afterwards and proceeded to Southampton.

Adrift on Arctic Ice Flow

VANCOUVER, C. C., Aug. 22.—The officers and crew of the Hudson's Bay auxiliary steamer Lady Kindersley, are reported on the ice twenty miles north-east of Pt. Barrow, in the Arctic Ocean and the American gas schooner Artic is said to be a wreck about five miles south of that point.

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British Wireless Experts Listen In On Mars

LONDON, Aug. 23.—An attempt by British wireless experts to listen in on Mars resulted in strange noises being heard at one o'clock this morning. The sources of the noises could not be ascertained by the experts. The attempt was made on a twenty four valve tube set erected on a hill at Dulwich. Representatives of the Marconi company and of London universities were present. Tuning in started at 12.30 o'clock a.m. and at one a.m. on a thirty thousand radius sounds were heard which could not be identified as coming from any earthly station. The sounds were likened to harsh dots, but they could not be interpreted as Morse code. The noises continued off and on for three minutes in groups of four and five dots.

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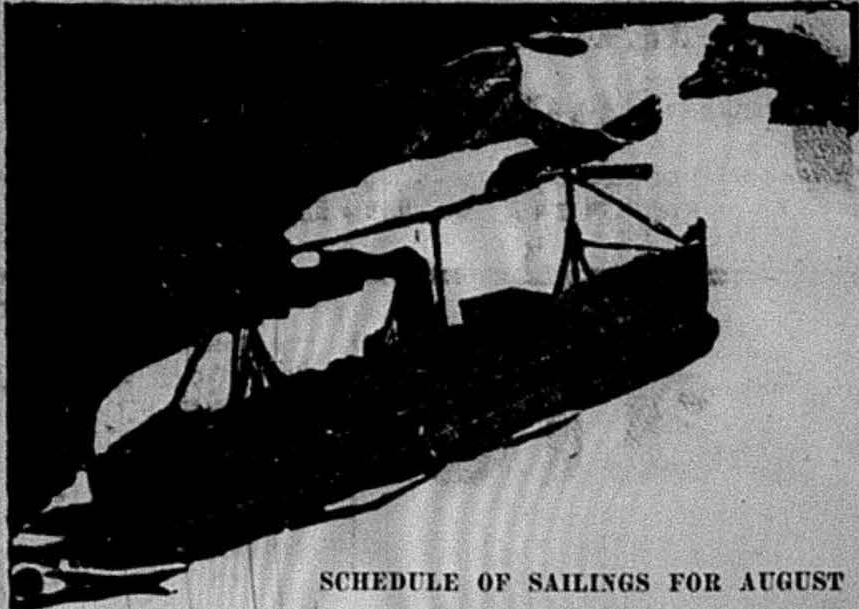
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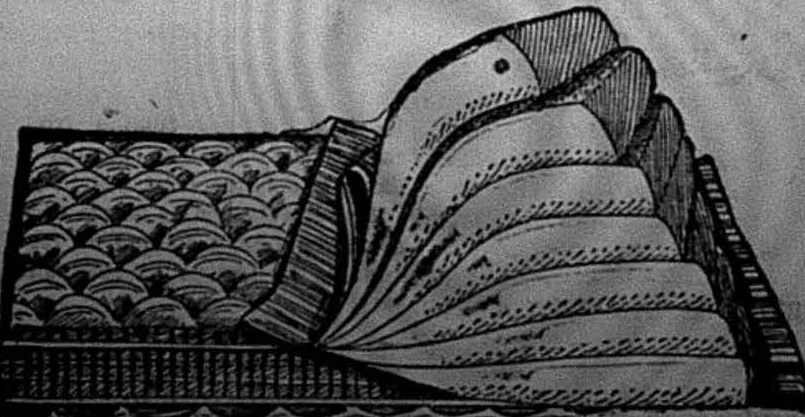
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CHAPTER XXI.

Bruce looked from one to the other. "What is she doing here?" he demanded. "What is it you said?"—as if he suddenly remembered—"that she is my wife! She! Good God! How—how ridiculous!" He burst into a harsh laugh. "I marry Deborah Blunt!" But he will soon end this. Deborah, you've no right here, and you know it. And I don't know why you have come; but now you are here, just tell them there is some mistake—Heaven knows how it arose; I don't! Tell them I am no more your husband than—than—Oh, woman!"

She caught a second encouraging glance from Glave, and quaking inwardly, faltered out: "Oh, Bruce, dear, how can you deny it? You—you know we were married before—before you left England. And—and haven't you a word—a kind word to say to me? Am I nothing to you, and—and she—everything?"

The sight of Jess upon his breast filled her with jealous fury, and nerved her to play her desperate part. She told herself that it must be all right still, or Glave would not be there, cool and self-possessed—would not encourage her.

"You—you know I am your wife, Bruce!"

He turned white, and the sweat broke out upon his forehead in great drops. For the first time he relinquished his hold upon Jess, and striding across the room, seized Deborah by the arm, and swinging her so that he could look into her face, cried sternly:

"Say that again! You my wife! Good God! I must be mad or dreaming! Say it again! Or, rather, own it was a damnable lie!"

She strove to free her arm, but his grip held her like a vise.

"Speak! Speak!" he said.

"You—you hurt me!" he said.

"No paltering!" he said sternly.

"Speak the truth. Tell them what made you concoct this lie! Speak, I tell you! I marry you—you—" The word, the name he called her shall not be written. The reader may or may not hold him—in his great agony—excused. Let it go. But it roused her to a fury of defiance.

"It is not a lie! You know it! I was married to you on September the twenty-eighth. You are my husband!" she gasped, as she fell back panting.

He had flung her from him, and turned to go back to Jess; but Mr. Newton and the earl stood between them.

"Stand back!" Bruce said hoarsely. "For God's sake, stand back, sir! Father, you cannot separate us! Jess is my wife. This woman lies—for what reason—cause—I can't tell. I swear—"

"Silence!" said Mr. Newton sternly, solemnly. "Do not add perjury to your crime! You have heard her—we all know that she speaks the truth. We have seen the entry at the registrar's. You have been identified. Man! do you think we should stand here silent, that we should endure the shame you have put upon her?"

His arm went round Jess—"If we were not assured of your guilt?"

Bruce looked at him fixedly.

"You have seen an entry? I have been identified? Who has seen it?"

The earl made a motion with his hand. Lady Marvell wept. They all



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assented by look or sign.

Bruce turned to Glave for the first time.

"Glave!" he said, as if he suddenly saw a gleam of hope. "You know this to be a lie! That it is preposterous! You were with me all the time—all that time I was mad. You know that it is impossible—what this woman charges me with, and what all of them believe—"

Glave was silent, his eyes bent on the ground. Bruce went up to him and looked him full in the face.

"You know where I was every day."

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Glave raised his eyes.

"Better go away with Mr. Newton and discuss this business, Ravenhurst," he said gravely, almost plying.

Bruce put his hand to his head.

"You, too!" he exclaimed in despair. "But surely you know where I was—what I was doing on that day they say I was married to her? What was it—September the twenty-eighth? Where was I? Quick!"

Glave hesitated, as if reluctant to add his testimony toward the conviction of a friend. All eyes were fixed on him.

"Don't ask me, Ravenhurst. Yes, I



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member the day—if you force me to speak—"

"I do force you; I must!"

"I was not with you that day. I did not see you. I can say no more."

Bruce groaned.

"What day was it—what day of the week? Let me think! Oh, God! I feel as if I should go mad! What day?"

"Tuesday," said Deborah sullenly. He looked at her—beyond her.

"Tuesday! Tuesday! Where was I? Ah! Glave, you remember. It was the day I went to Elford. You went with me—"

Glave shook his head.

"No; I remember I went alone; I—"

He looked round. "Don't you believe me? I say I went to Elford—to show Glave a horse. I was there all day. Don't you believe me?"

"It was the day you were married,"

said Mr. Newton. "It is useless—useless! There is the certificate; your photograph has been identified by registrar. Oh, let this end—if not for your own sake, for my child's!"

"Jess!" The cry rose from his well-nigh breaking heart. "You still believe me?"

She left her father, and fell into Bruce's outstretched arms.

"Is there no one else but my wife—the woman I love—who believes in me?" he said in a low voice. "I am innocent—I swear it! Is there no one?"

The earl raised his head.

"How can I believe? I can only forgive!" he faltered. "Bruce—"

But Bruce, after a look at the sorrow-laden face, turned away.

Then suddenly Frank Forde came forward.

"Yes! there is one other. I believe you, Ravenhurst. There is my hand!" he said, with a thrill in his voice as he extended his hand.

Bruce gripped it, his face working.

"Thank you, Forde!" he said brokenly. His other hand clasped Jess closely. "Jess"—his voiced faltered him for a moment—"Jess, I must not claim you—must not take you away—till I have proved my innocence, my right to you. Go to your father, dearest. Yes!"—he looked at Mr. Newton—"I resign her to you for the present—till—"

Jess uttered a cry of anguish, and clung to him.

"No, no! Take me with you, Bruce! Let me go with you. I am your wife—I know it! I have believed all—through. Take me with you! No one can separate husband and wife, Bruce! Oh, my dearest, let me go with you!"

He bent and kissed her solemnly; then, with his face hidden from the rest, he slowly unclasped her hands from about his neck. They resisted for a time, then suddenly they released their hold—she had fainted.

CHAPTER XXIII.
Deborah Blunt Defiant.

Her father and Lady Marvell took her away, Bruce following her with his eyes, as if he were lost to all consciousness of everything but her.

Deborah broke the silence. She was frightened no longer—there was no room in her bosom for anything but jealous rage.

"Well, what are you going to do?" she demanded through her teeth, and looking defiantly at Bruce.

He turned to Frank Forde, as if he claimed his help.

"Tell her—tell her that I resist her claim—impotence. That I will put the matter in the hands of the police—"

"The police!" exclaimed Deborah, with a harsh laugh. "It strikes me, Bruce, that they'll have something to say to you! Bigamy is what you will be charged with, if the police are called in."

Bruce did not start or show any emotion.

"Get rid of her—at once," he said to Forde.

Glave stepped forward.

"May I venture to interfere, Ravenhurst?" he said smoothly. "I know nothing of this business, but I will presume to offer a word of advice—to Lady Ravenhurst."

Bruce did start at this, and his face went red.

"Lady Ravenhurst!" he broke out; then he restrained himself, and shut his lips tightly.

"I would suggest that she should take time to consider the situation—should give you also time to do so," said Glave gravely. "Of course—er—prosecution is out of the question—"

"Oh, is it?" said Deborah, with a short laugh. "I don't know about that. I want my rights—"

Glave shot a glance at her which silenced her.

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The speaker at the Rotary Luncheon, held at Sterling's Restaurant on Thursday, was Mr. E. M. Johnson, who is engaged in research work in connection with bur cod liver oil. Mr. Johnson was introduced by the Chairman, Rotarian Angus Reid, and his address, as follows, contains valuable information regarding the medicinal properties of our cod liver oil.

Cod Liver Oil has been used for about two hundred years for rheumatism, tuberculosis, colds, and as a general tonic, but any probable medicinal value that it had, was unknown. For that reason, it was used more by the layman than the medical men, although there were a few enthusiasts amongst the medical fraternity who stood by it. The cod liver oil of old was bad tasted, evil smelling, and of a disagreeable color, and was anything but appetizing, consequently people refused it. Finally, however, steamed cod liver oil came into use, eliminating to a large extent, the disagreeable odour and resulting in a more general use of oil. About this time, medical men began to consider it as an easily assimilated fat, and it was frequently prescribed with other fats, but even then, its medicinal nature, if it possessed any, was practically unknown. Finally, scientists began to study fats of vegetables, minerals, animal organism, and cod liver oil was amongst them. About this time, it was generally conceded amongst dietitians and medical men, that the proteins, fats, carbohydrates, and mineral salts, were the principal food elements which contributed to the nutrition of man, but a Japanese scientist discovered that besides these elements, there was some other fat accessory which played an important role in the feeding of pigeons and fowls, and prevented the disease known as Beri Beri. This accessory factor was later named by Finck as "vitamin," and which was afterwards changed by McCollum to "vitamin." In due course other vitamins were discovered, and in order to distinguish the difference between them, the terms A, B, C, D, were used, and there are now at least five distinct vitamins known.

Whilst experimenting with fats, it was learned that cod liver oil showed greater activity in experimental animals than any of the other fats known. The vitamin in cod liver oil is a fat soluble vitamin, and there are at least two of these vitamins named by McCollum as vitamin "A" and "D," the latter, sometimes referred to by scientists as the anti-rachitic factor in fish oils. It has been shown on experimental animals that the fat soluble "A" vitamin in cod liver oil, influences growth and cures sore eyes or ophthalmia. Ophthalmia is a disease caused by a diet lacking in the fat soluble "A" factor, but when this missing factor is replaced with cod liver oil, the sore eyes are promptly cured. Failure of growth and ophthalmia are considered as deficiency diseases. Another deficiency disease is rickets. Rickets is produced in rats by feeding the animals on a diet lacking the vitamin "D" or anti-rachitic factor. At the present time, no one thoroughly understands what rickets is, but we do know that there is a failure of calcium deposition in the bones. In children, rickets may be observed clinically by such signs as bowlegs, beading of the ribs, enlarged epiphyses, craniotables. Often children with rickets, have enlarged heads, and which would warrant medical examination for the above physical signs. It is generally accepted that experimental rickets produced in rats or other animals such as the dog, is very much the same as human rickets. These animal experiments furnish an opportunity for extensive study with cod liver oil as the curative agent. Cod liver oil was placed in a class for itself when it was discovered that by feeding it to puppy dogs with rickets it effected a satisfactory cure. Even before this time, some of the old French, English and German writers mentioned that it cured rickets, but at that time it was not understood that the vitamin of the oil was the active principle which brought about a cure.

Until recently, no standards have been set by retail chemists for cod liver oil. An oil obtained at one end of the town might not be as active as an oil obtained in some other part of the city. Moreover, some preparations of cod liver oil may consist of mixed oils, including the oils of other livers than the cod fish, as well as mineral oils. In order to standardize the oil, samples were obtained from Iceland, Norway, Shetland Isles, England, British Columbia, California, Maine, Nova Scotia, Japan



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and Newfoundland. At the end of a years experimental period the Newfoundland oil showed the greatest anti-rachitic activity on experimental rats. In addition to this, samples were obtained in the open market. These were of different colors and tastes and activity, and showed some rather wide variations in the number of days, the size of doses, necessary to bring about healing in the rickety bones. This led to further investigation of the Newfoundland oil on the ground where it is produced in order to experiment at the source and endeavour to determine, if possible, why Newfoundland oil was more active than others. It was found that fresh Newfoundland oil, prepared from new livers, could be fed in such small amounts as one-fourth and one-eighth of one per cent, in the curative diet, and produced satisfactory results in the bones of rickety rats, in five days. Oils produced from lean fish caught in the early season, have also been examined, and compared with that produced from fish caught in the middle of the season when they are feeding well on caplin and squid. The oil from the well fed fish always showed more activity. It is therefore believed that the small fish such as the caplin and squid, and which are consumed by the cod, are large consumers of diatoms and planktons which have been shown by other scientists to contain vitamins. A number of caplin and squid caught on the Southern Shore, were subjected to a microscopic examination of the stomach and intestinal tract, and a large amount of diatoms and planktons were disclosed. Another reason for the greater activity of Newfoundland oil is probably due to the fact that the fish have completed spawning before reaching the headlands to feed. Nature has provided an abundance of caplin and squid which are available to the cod at a time when this fish

is thin and ravenously hungry. Continuous dieting on this food gives the cod an opportunity to recuperate and grow fat, and the liver becomes enlarged and accumulates a considerable amount of oil which is laden with the vitamin obtained from the caplin and which in turn, obtains the vitamin by eating various marine organisms dieting on diatoms and planktons. The cod fish therefore stores the vitamins in the liver by an indirect method.

In order not to confine the experiments entirely to rats, a considerable quantity of the Newfoundland oil has been given to a number of infant clinics in charge of competent physicians. The children suspected of rickets were x-rayed at different periods whilst the cod liver oil was being administered, and definite progress of healing has been noted.

Newfoundlanders have taken great steps to introduce cod liver oil by thorough and continuous inspection whilst the fishing season is on. Newfoundland inspectors also give instruction to fishermen as to the correct temperature for steaming the liver, the length of time to expose it to the steam, how to filter it, and barrel it in order to obtain the best results. In addition to this, cod liver oil should be biologically tested so that no oil of doubtful potency will be placed on the market. It should be taken into consideration that straight pure cod liver oil is superior to emulsions since these preparations do not contain any more than 30 per cent of oil, and some of them contain as low as 10 per cent. Compare a teaspoon full of straight pure cod liver oil with its tested vitamin cod liver oil with its tested vitamin activity, with an emulsion containing only ten or twenty per cent and rarely 30 per cent of oil that is not tasted and therefore of doubtful vitamin activity, and watch the result?

In the past, Newfoundlanders have, perhaps, made the mistake of selling the oil in bulk barrels. When the barrel is disposed of, the contents immediately loses its identity, and the way for substitution of Newfoundland oils, is made easy. When the oil leaves the Colony as "Newfoundland" oil, it should reach the consumer as "Newfoundland" oil, and no other inferior oil should be substituted. In order to make it possible for Newfoundland oil to secure the high place which it so richly deserves, in the

drug trade and amongst the medical profession, it should be advertised. Advertising, of course, is expensive, but Messrs. Mead and Johnson and Company are prepared to conduct the proper kind of advertising, and handle the oil in such a way that Newfoundland oil will be called for and secured on the prescription of medical men who desire to obtain the best. This entails a considerable amount of educational work for the reason that to-day, some of the medical men have been told that Norwegian oil is the best. Frequently advertisements are seen with the term "Finest Norwegian oil." The word "finest" of course would lead the unsuspecting individual to assume that this was the most satisfactory oil produced in the world, whereas an oil that is far more potent has been begging for recognition these many years. We propose to use nothing but Newfoundland oil in all our preparations, and also to supply the straight, pure, unadulterated oil, because our experiments have proven to our satisfaction that it is the best.

Because of its growth promoting factor, fat soluble "A" vitamin, the Newfoundland cod liver oil is a very desirable ingredient of all infant foods. In fact every child should have cod liver oil during the first few years of its life, as a preventive rather than a cure. Medical men believe that if cod liver oil were used to the same extent as orange juice is used to prevent scurvy, that rickets in children would be rare.

It is gratifying to note the action of the Newfoundland Government in removing the export tax on cod liver oil. In competing with the Norwegian removal of the tax will make matters easier. Our purpose is to create a demand for Newfoundland oil, and to make the public believe that a high priced article is superior to one of a lower price especially when the scientific reasons for the high potency of the Newfoundland oil are not yet understood outside of the field of scientific investigation. Advertising will no doubt change this situation.

Another interesting medical fact may be stated. It is believed by some physicians that one of the reasons why the operation known as Caesarian section is sometimes necessary, is due to the fact that the mother in her infancy had rickets causing abnormally formed pelvic bones. If cod

liver oil had been used, and rickets prevented, it is believed that few such operations would be necessary.

Five factories are now in operation, two at Bay Bulls, one at Witless Bay, one at Tor's Cove, and one at Ferryland.

Our sincere thanks are due to Captain Winsor, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, and to Deputy Mr. Alan Goodridge for their kind assistance. To Mr. E. G. Coyell, Chief Inspector, to Mr. W. A. Munn, r.m. Ambrose Hearn, and Mr. Jerry Williams, of Bay Bulls, and to the large number of fishermen who so generally assisted and co-operated with us in our research work, and without whose help our investigation would not have been possible.

We have found the Newfoundlanders ready to encourage outside capital and industry in their land, and we believe that if several other American firms would invest their capital in cod liver oil factories, the investment would be sound, and the assistance given them by Newfoundlanders would make the venture very successful.

Mr. Johnson was accorded a hearty vote of thanks for his very interesting and instructive address.

Amongst the guests were Mr. R. B. Job, Mr. Godfrey Williams, Mr. Hayes of New Bedford, Dr. W. Roberts, Mr. W. A. Munn, Mr. H. R. Brooks, Mr. W. P. Goodridge, Mr. Avslon Goodridge, and Mr. C. P. Dowan.

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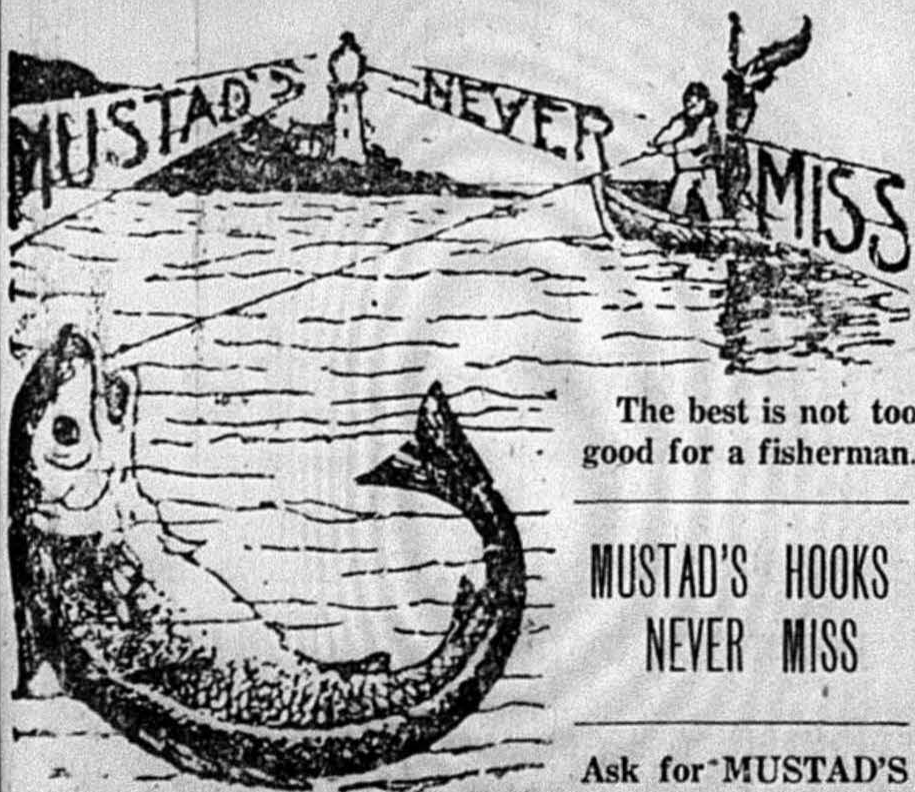
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HELP THE FISHERMEN BY DEVELOPING THE HERRING MARKET

If Premier Monroe and his man Friday Morine have time to devote to any other matters but legislating on the rum traffic and increasing their own salaries, and manifest any anxiety to assist the fishermen of this Colony, then we can point out to them an opportunity to do so.

The Oriental fish market can be developed for Newfoundland. Last year British Columbia shipped 63,339 long tons of salt herring to Japan, which brought approximately 33c. a pound. In Kobe orders for a further 100,000 tons could not be supplied.

A practical business man writing to the Halifax Citizen on a recent date gives the following facts and figures which apply with stronger force to Newfoundland:

"Nova Scotia herring, a far larger and more tasty fish than the herring caught in British Columbia waters, can be bought from the fishermen along the coast at less than 5c. a pound. Salt, lumber, nails, and labels would not bring the gross cost over 7c. a pound net; the freight would be at New York 2 cents per pound; the fish enters the market duty free, allowing a further 1 cent to cover insurance, bringing the entire cost F. O. B. at Yokohama at exactly 10 cents per pound.

"Sold at 33c., leaves a net profit of 23c. a pound. Besides, to make this export of more than 65,000 tons, it requires 22,000 tons of salt, 9,200,000 feet of lumber for boxes, 175 tons of nails, and 4,000,000 feet of wire, besides the herring.

"All this material goes with the fish and helps constitute the total tonnage that would leave Halifax as an assembly plant when an effort is made by Premier Armstrong to bring Nova Scotia into the trade of foreign lands.

"The Marine and Fisheries and Department of Trade and Commerce have forgotten this province for a certainty. It is now up to Premier Armstrong for action."

Mr. J. M. Devine in his open letter to the Governor, which we published yesterday, also points out the possibilities of an enormous sale of our herring being made in the United States, if we prepare our fish in the style and give the quality which the people require. But all efforts, we fear, along these lines will be found unprofitable to Mr. Monroe and the Tory Merchants of Water Street. An impoverished fishing population that must go to him as a "supplying merchant" begging for a bag and a barrel, is the only class which a Tory regime has ever wanted to exist in this Newfoundland of ours.

The Price of Molasses

The duty on Choice Molasses including the sale tax comes to eight cents, but the duty on fancy molasses which is the higher grade and costs more money, will bring the actual Customs charge to over nine and one-half cents per gallon. This is a terrific charge for the fisherman on one of his actual necessities.

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"Myobist" is a new word. Its father is Dr. F. H. Vizetelly, managing editor of the New Standard Dictionary. It is a word manufactured with four letters for its foundation as follows: M. Y. O. B. And those four letters stand for the following excellent advice: "Mind Your Own Business."

He who minds his own business is a MYOBIST.

There would be less ill-feeling in the world, less interference by the crowd with the rights of the individual, less effort by the individual to tell the crowd what it ought to do, if MYOBISTS were more plentiful in this world.

Join them, be ONE of them, start a little MYOBIST SOCIETY in your neighborhood. It will pay everybody that joins.

YE OLDEN DAYS

AUGUST 22ND.

William Kenny, cooper, found drowned in Quidi Vidi Lake on Regatta night on this date, in the year 1852.

Three day's Regatta on Quidi Vidi Lake begun, 1852.

Bishop Mullock received an invitation to attend the celebration in New York in honor of the laying of the Atlantic cable, 1858.

William Maddigan killed at Little Bay Mines, 1880.

John P. Grace rescued a boy from drowning in Hoylestown, 1884.

A great sculling race on Quidi Vidi Lake between Squires (the local man), and Ferguson (Nova Scotia); Squires beat by half the length of the pond, and was brought to town in his boat in triumph on the shoulders of admiring friends, 1874.

John Lawson, of the barque Octavia, drowned off Stewart's wharf, 1879.

Angel's Foundry burnt, 1891.

D. Sullivan, fireman, killed on Hall's Bay line, 1892.

D. C. Webber, M.H.A., and W. H. Cock drowned in Trinity Bay, 1893.

Sir Ambrose Shea entertained Prince George by grand ball, 1883.

Dicks & Company opened business, 1890.

Miss May Holden drowned in the Narrows while boating, 1898.

AUGUST 23RD

The first car named "St. John's," arrived for street railway, 1899.

B. I. Society congratulated Philip F. Little on his elevation to the Bench, 1858.

Sail race on Harbor between captains of merchant marine, 1878.

Challenge race on Quidi Vidi Lake, Broad Cove vs. Torbay, the former won, 1879.

Nomination of candidates for first Municipal Election ever held in St. John's, Ward 1, J. T. Carnell, G. St. Rendell, J. Halloran; Ward 2, F. St. John, J. T. Southcott, G. E. Bearns; Ward 3, M. Monroe, J. B. Ayre; Ward 4, M. Power, M. Tobin; Ward 5, W. D. Morrison, P. J. Brien, T. Geran, J. T. Murphy, M. G. Lash, 1888.

Challenge Race on Quidi Vidi Lake, Bowring's (Gypsy), J. D. Ryan's (Mascott); J. D. Ryan's won, 1893.

Trinity Record registered, D. C. Webber, proprietor, 1890.

Fishery Reports

Cape Harrison—Light east wind, clear, no fish.

Makovic—Light north winds, cloudy no fish.

Holton—West wind, clear, no fish.

Smoky—Light variable winds; no fish.

Grady—Light variable winds, no fish.

Flat Island—Light variable wind, no fish.

Domino—Light variable wind, fair fishing.

Battle Harbour—West wind, clear, good hooking.

Sound Island, P. B.—Prospects little better, bait supply good.

Burin, Grand Bank to Grand Beach—Total landed to date 25,970 quintals, landed last week 150 quintals. Prospects very good; sign from shore past week. Bait supply scarce. No fish landed from Banks. All report scarce.

Cape Freels to Safe Harbour—Total landed to date 900 quintals, for week 100 quintals. Prospects poor; bait scarce; fish scarce.

Shoe Cove Point to Greenspond—Prospects poor, plenty squid. There is little improvement with net, but nothing with hook and line. Total landed to date 350 quintals.

Nipper's Harbour—Prospects not encouraging; squid plentiful, slight improvement with hook and line.

Tuesday morning's train will connect with the Portia at Argentea.

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McKoy Insists He Loved His Victim

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 14—"I loved her as I never loved a woman before. I didn't kill her."

That was as far as the police had reached after hours of grilling today in an effort to make Norman Selby, known through a long ring career and in motion pictures as "Kid McCoy," confess he had murdered Mrs. Theresa Mors in the fashionable Nottingham apartments here.

Police do not believe the story. They said the woman was shot in the left side of the head, her body was bruised and beaten, stuck in many places with a pin or knife, and that she could not have inflicted the wounds that caused her death.

Thelma entered Mrs. Mors' temple without any accompanying powder burns, an examination showed. Officers say it must have been fired at a distance of at least three feet.

McCoy, veteran of the prize ring, whose fists fetched him fighting renown more than a quarter of a century ago, set in a jail cell here today, facing the most desperate battle of his career—a fight to free himself of the charge of murder.

Called on Sister

When McCoy was arrested he was stubbornly silent for a time, but finally talked freely. Mrs. Mors killed herself, he said the shock and grief "put out his lights" and filled him with an insane rage to kill her husband, "who drove her to it, to kill those who stood in his way and finally to kill himself."

But fate hid Mors from him, and his plan to kill himself was lost in the swirl of events.

"I just had to kill that woman," said, explaining the note found in the apartment, "but—I forgot."

Police believe portions of McCoy's story, but declare his suicide defence has already received its knockout blow from the Kid's own sister, Mrs. Jennie Thomas, whom they quote as saying McCoy came to her home soon after the shooting of Mrs. Mors and burst out with:

"I just had to kill that woman."

McCoy, under re-grilling at the City Hall, admitted that he had called on his sister soon after Mrs. Mors' death, but "couldn't remember what I told her or how long I stayed."

In Jealous Rage

He clung to his suicide version of the shooting, telling detectives that Mrs. Mors was driven to despair by her troubles with her former husband, that she suddenly cried out that she "couldn't stand it any longer," and attempted to stab herself to death with a butcher knife. When this failed, he said, she took a pistol from a dresser drawer and fired a bullet through her head before he could stop her.

Police declare, however, that what Mrs. Mors really planned was a reconciliation with her former husband, and that McCoy's jealous rage over this impending reconciliation led him to kill her and then to go out seeking to kill Mors.

In his search for Mors he went to the Mors antique shop, where, according to his own story, he planned to shoot Mr. Mors and then kill Mr. and Mrs. Sam Schapp, who operated a shop next door and who recently had made efforts to bring about a reconciliation between Mr. and Mrs. Mors.

What he actually did was to wound William Ross, a patron who happened to enter the Mors establishment, and Mr. and Mrs. Schapp, whom he pursued into their shop when they refused to be lured into Mors' place. None of the three was wounded seriously.

Had Been Drinking

In telling of this shooting affray, McCoy explained over and over again that he had been drinking and that he was crazed with shock and grief

and out of his head.

Police for a time believed that McCoy had found Mors and killed him, but after a search of several hours his attorney reported to Central police station and announced his client was ready to be questioned. It was then revealed that Mors was on his way to the shop about the time McCoy entered it, and but for the fact that is automobile broke down would have reached his place of business in the midst of the former pugilist's shooting orgy.

By the time the machine could be repaired, however, newsboys were shouting extras whose headlines warned Mors that McCoy was amuck. He accordingly remained away until McCoy was safe in a cell at the City Jail, charged with suspicion of murder, assault with a deadly weapon, with intent to kill, and robbery.

While McCoy denied the killing, police moved swiftly, throwing about him a net of damaging evidence. They said before the day was over his sister would appear before District Attorney Keys and repeat the confession police asserted she said McCoy made to her.

"He came to my house at 2 a.m. and told me he killed Mrs. Mors," is what the authorities quote McCoy's sister as telling them.

"McCoy is guilty and has already confessed to his sister, Assistant Captain of Detectives Herman Cline said today. "He started out to look for Mors. He was angry because he had heard Mrs. Mors was going to leave him. He washed his bloody hands, stuck his picture in her arms and then went gunning."

"Fast women and slow horses," are blamed by "Kid" McCoy for all his misfortunes.

And yet he holds the title of the world's champion "marrayer."

His adventures in the matrimonial field read like pages torn from the pages of the latest novel. They eclipse his ring career, which in itself was something to be proud to boast of.

On nine occasions the "Kid" has taken the count under "Dan Cupid's" onslaughts.

His Nine Weddings

Count one, in 1894, found the "Kid" wedded to Lottie Pfeiffer. But only for a year did the pugilist remain in that state. A year later he wended his way to the divorce courts and was again a free man.

Single "blessedness" did not satisfy the "Kid" however, and again in 1897 he was leading a young woman to the altar. On this occasion Charlotte Smith was the bride. This marriage lasted a few months. Before the year 1897 had passed into history, McCoy was again single via the divorce courts.

Then came count three, and the most interesting part of the fighter's career. He married Julia Woodruff the same year he was divorced from Charlotte Smith. Twice during 1897 he had led young women to the altar.

Wed One Woman Three Times

For three years the "Kid" was contented. Then he divorced Julia, only to remarry her again a year later. Again he separated from Julia and again, in 1902, he entered into his final marriage vows with the same woman.

The last attempt lasted only a few months, however, and during the latter part of 1902 the "Kid" again found himself searching for a wife.

Count four found McCoy leading Indiana Arnold down the aisle as hundreds of friends waited to hear him say "I do." This was in 1904. But as usual, the marriage lasted only a few months and before the end of 1904, the "Kid" was again in the divorce court.

Estelle Earl Ellis was the bride in the seventh encounter, which occurred in 1905. She held the pugilist longer than any of his previous wives. It was not until 1910 that the divorce courts had to deal with the martial tangles of "Kid" McCoy again.

Lasted Few Weeks

And then back to his old traits. Count eight found the "Kid" married to Edna Valentine Helm, in 1911. This was another of the marriages that lasted but a few weeks. Before the end of 1911 McCoy told it to the judge again and a divorce decree was granted.

For nine years wedding bells failed to peal forth in the McCoy domain. Carmen Browder was the principal in count nine. This marriage lasted but a short time and then McCoy answered to desertion and non-support charges just before the judge granted his wife in the ninth marital venture, a decree.

On several occasions since 1920 the "Kid" has been engaged to marry. The last time he decided that he would try marriage was in July of this year. He informed the world that he was going to wed a girl named "Gene," who was an actress. The wedding never materialized.

Slain Woman Married Nine Years Ago

NEW YORK, Aug. 14—Mrs. Carry C. Moers, mother-in-law of Mrs. Albert Mors, of whose murder in Los Angeles "Kid" McCoy is accused,

lives in New York City with a daughter, Mrs. Moers said the correct spelling of the family name was with an "e" but that after going to California, her son had changed the spelling. The slain woman, according to the mother, came here 17 years ago from Czechoslovakia. She worked as a stenographer for Mors. Nine years ago, Mrs. Moers said, the couple were married.

"Save Me From My Friends"

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Mr. J. M. Devine in his open letter complains that his services were dispensed with by the Government of Sir Richard Squires that appointed him. But he evidently has a short memory or is not fully conversant with the facts. It is a notorious fact that the cancellation of his appointment was clamoured for day after day by members of the present Government, some of whom Mr. Devine was anxious to associate himself with politically in the General Election of 1923. Had the Tory clique that fought the fishery regulations, which called for the appointment in Europe and America of trade agents, being prepared

to give the law an unprejudiced trial, I am of the opinion that Mr. Devine would still be officially representing us. The Hansard reports of the Session of the Legislature of 1921 should convince Mr. Devine who were his bitterest opponents, and who were the parties that wrecked the fishery policy inaugurated by Sir William Coaker.

Yours truly,

FAIR PLAY.
St. John's, Aug. 23, 1924.

SHIPPING NOTES

The schooner Edith M. Cavell has sailed from Ramea for Gibraltar with 4284 qts. codfish.

The schooner Nauta has cleared from Fogo for Sydney with 76 tons salt, shipped by Earle, Sons & Co.

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Scientists the World Over Discuss Possibility That Mars Is Inhabited

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RENE BACHE'S ARTICLE CONTAINS MUCH INTERESTING DATA—READ IT.

By RENE BACHE

If you have the use of even a small telescope, take a look at Mars. It is worth doing, for that planet has never been so near to us since the oldest human being now living was born. Not again will it approach so near to the Earth until long after the year 2000, when the babies of today—the few of them that happen to survive—will be very aged men and women.

All the big telescopes in the world are now pointed at Mars, which is less than 35,000,000 miles distant. Never before has there been such an opportunity for detailed examination of its surface; for astronomers today have at their disposal such instruments of observation as were not until very recent years available.

On this interesting occasion, Mars is turning toward us his southern hemisphere, on which the astronomers will watch the progress of a Martian late autumn and early winter. They will see the southern ice-cap (corresponding to the ice-cap on our own South Pole) slowly form.

That in itself is a matter inviting special attention, inasmuch as the ice-cap is unquestionably developed by falling snow; and snow implies water-vapour, which can be carried and precipitated in a frozen state only by an atmosphere.

Heat, Air and Water
This seems to settle the question whether there is air and water on the surface of Mars. Manifestly the planet has an considerable atmosphere containing a great deal of moisture. Water, air and warmth are the three prime essentials for the support of animal and plant life.

How about the warmth? Some authorities have contended that Mars must be too cold to support life. It is 145,000,000 miles from the Sun (average distance), whereas the Earth is only 93,000,000 miles from the central luminary. But Mars, thanks to its thin atmosphere and lack of clouds, gets full benefit of at least 90 per cent of the heat delivered by the Sun, whereas the relatively dense and vaporous blanket of gasses

that envelops the Earth allows only 60 per cent to come through.

Furthermore, observations of freezing and melting on the surface of Mars indicate that temperatures are about the same as on the Earth.

Clouds are seen from time to time floating in the atmosphere of Mars, but not often. For that reason, telescope observation of its surface suffers no interference; and hence it is that already we know more about that planet than we do about any other heavenly body, the Moon excepted.

It is for that reason that we have come to be so intensely interested in Mars, whereas little attention is paid to Venus, though the latter is the Earth's very twin, of nearly the same size, known to be well watered, and apparently enjoying all conditions requisite for habitability. But Venus is always covered with a thick envelope of dense clouds, so that her surface cannot be seen.

Two Habitable Planets

Prof. C. A. Young, of Princeton, has written: "There are only two among all the heavenly bodies seen with our telescopes on which anything like terrestrial life could exist—Venus and Mars."

The temperature on Mercury (the little planet nearest the Sun) exceeds the boiling point of water. The four planets—Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune—are still so hot as to be incandescent. All the stars, of course, are blazing suns. Presumably most of them have attendant planets, but the latter are invisible to the telescope, though it is only reasonable to suppose that millions or even billions of them are habitable and inhabited by intelligent beings.

A limit being set to our facilities of observation, we concentrate our attention upon Mars, and hope that within the next very few months we shall learn much about that planet which as yet remains unknown.

We are told that Mars is an older planet than the Earth; that it is only one-ninth the size of our terrestrial globe; that, in view of its lesser force of gravity (38 per cent of ours), the average man on Mars (if there be such a being) should be eighteen feet tall and of proportionate bulk. He should be corresponding strong and agile, with a muscular efficiency twenty-seven times as great

as that of the average made American citizen. Hence he could leap with a spryness that would shame a kangaroo, and easily juggle with dumbbells which, if we had them here, would weigh half a ton apiece.

Ahead of Us in Science

In regard to the Martians, however, the most interesting idea is that, being inhabitants of a much older planet, they may be millions of years ahead of us in the development of mechanical appliances, in that they may not have been using civilization, and in knowledge of the sciences. We talk about signalling to them by radio. Who knows that they may not have been trying to signal to us by that or other means for many centuries past?

What shall be said of those "canals"? There aren't any. Or rather it should be said that the streaks on the Martian surface alleged to be canals are really something else. They are still a mystery, but a theory now more generally accepted is that they may be strips of vegetation. Some of them are as much as 180 miles wide. The canal seems nonsense.

Schiaparelli, an Italian astronomer, who originated the canal theory, wrote: "All the vast extent of the Martian continents is covered with a network of dark stripes, some of them thousands of miles long, that do not at all resemble the winding course of streams. Sometimes, when one of these canals opens upon a sea, it widens out into a great bay, as in the case of this so-called Syrtis Major, formed by the vast mouth of the Nilasyrtis. That gulf is not less than 1100 miles broad, its surface nearly equal in area to that of the Bay of Bengal."

This is worth quoting because of the picture it gives of the surface of Mars as it appeared to Schiaparelli. But his inferences are highly speculative. The dark patches which he took for seas may not be water at all.

Observations at this time, when Mars is relatively so close at hand, ought to shed much light upon this and other questions.

Plant Life on Mars
If the stripes in question are actually strips of cultivated vegetation, it would account for the seasonal darkening and subsequent fading of the "canals"—a phenomenon for which Schiaparelli confessed himself unable to account. In that case the time of the fading must be harvest time on Mars.

The vegetation, to correspond with the supposed stature of the people of Mars, may be of a gigantic luxuriance. If so, its production may be adequate to maintain proportionate numbers of people and plant-eating domestic animals that furnish food.

Are we witnessing, on Mars, in a blinking and near-sighted way, the doings of rational beings immeasurably superior to man and capable of dealing, by engineering and other means, with thousands of square miles of territory as easily as we can cultivate a garden patch?

We know that Mars is a desert planet. It looks red, even to the naked eye, because most of its surface is reddish in color, though in parts yellowish. That means red and yellow sands and rocks. On this background appear dark and well-defined brownish and greenish patches, some of them very large, others small and scattered. Do these patches represent seas and lakes? Nobody can say.

Specially conspicuous is a vast inland "sea," somewhat triangular in shape, which is called Lake of the Sun. Another alleged water area of great size is the Lake of the Moon. But are these really water at all?

Too much guesswork. But it is the best that has been possible up to now. By observations now being undertaken, some of it may be converted into definite knowledge.

Melting of the Snow Caps

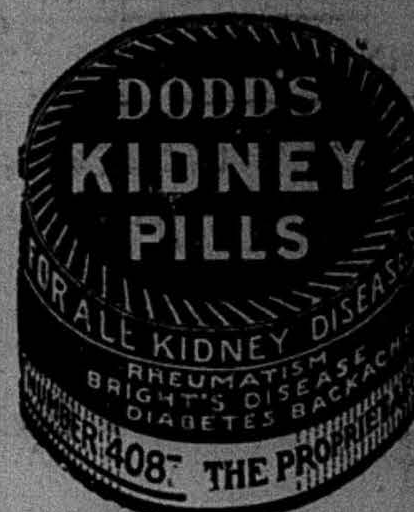
On Mars the seasons are much longer than ours. If the year be regarded as equally divided between summer and winter, each is of eleven months' length. Thus the snow-cap at each pole has time to be so far melted as to be reduced to a small remnant.

As each snow-cap melts, a dark area encircling it is seen to grow steadily, and it is reasonable to infer that this is water. A season of flood, due to the melting, has evidently arrived. Thereupon, or not long afterwards, the above-mentioned stripes begin to appear, in lines so straight as to appear geometrical. They are from twenty miles to 180 miles in width.

How is one to account for them? Why are they temporary, reappearing and again fading at seasonal intervals? Is there any rational explanation except that the work of intelligent beings is somehow concerned?

These are facts, mind you. There is not a word in this story that, as far as it goes, has not authoritative endorsement. Your are at liberty to draw your own conclusions.

Shall we not suppose, as a tenable theory, that the water from the melting polar ice-cap, from each pole



at its recurring summer season—flows down over the surface of the planet, and, by the help of scientific irrigation on an enormous scale, is used for the growing of Martian crops?

Mars, as already said, is a desert planet. But what do we know about our own deserts? Up to now, we haven't done very much, but we are beginning to learn—as witness what we are doing in the reclamation projects of the West.

Possibilities of Irrigation
If there be lack of water for the land, anywhere, there is plenty of it not far away, usually. The most hopeless desert in the world, as one might suppose, is the vast depression in the western part of the Sahara. Even the Arabs, with their caravans of camels, anxiously avoid it. Yet the French engineers are going to turn the Atlantic Ocean into it and convert it into a sea over which ships will voyage straight from Europe to Timbuktoo and the region of the Niger.

The Martians, apparently, have found themselves confronted with vastly more formidable obstacles. But they have overcome them. They have had to do so in order to survive. What will not intelligent creatures accomplish if survival be in question?

The Martians may, as already suggested, be far more intelligent creatures than ourselves. How fortunate it would be if we could establish communication with them, and so obtain from them knowledge which otherwise we might need many thousands of years to acquire!

A few years ago there appeared on the surface of Mars what seemed to the astronomers to be a very bright light. The idea naturally suggested itself that it might be a beacon of some sort, meant for a signal to the Earth.

What it really was, nobody knows. It is to this day a mystery.

Now and then small bright spots are observed on the surface of the planet. They are thought to be the tops of snow-capped mountains shining in the sun.

It is conceivable that by the use of electricity we might, at enormous expense, make a signal light of some sort that would be visible to high-power Martian telescopes. Nevertheless it would have to be of immense size.

A Problem in Geometry

A mere illumination would not suffice to convince Martian astronomers that the Earth was inhabited by intelligent beings. But suppose that such a beacon were of a certain recognizable design—with a form, say, representing the forty-second proposition of Euclid. Any high school boy knows that proposition, the famous "asses' bridge," proving that the square on the hypotenuse of a right-angled triangle is equal to the sum of the squares on the other two sides. If a Martian scientist saw that design on the Earth's surface, outlined in

light, he would recognise its meaning instantly.

Where visible signals from Earth to Mars are concerned, however, there is a difficulty of which we need to be reminded. Our own terrestrial globe, as viewed from Mars, is usually covered to a great extent by floating clouds. Even when clouds are left out of question, our relatively dense atmosphere, with much dust in its lower levels, must to a considerable extent obscure the Earth as a visual object.

Not very long ago Marconi was convinced that signals of some sort were coming through from Mars by radio. His instruments perceived them—messages carried by waves of enormous length—but he could not translate them. Possibly he was right but it seems much more likely that his imagination deceived him.

The mystery of Mars has naturally inspired the imagination of romancers. If the planet possesses inhabitants more or less human-like, how vastly interesting it would be to gain communication with them. They

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Scientists The World Over Discuss Possibility That Mars Is Inhabited

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may have reached a stage of civilization and enlightenment so advanced that our own is by comparison a benighted barbarism.

The typical Martian may have a huge brain, with a head of size to correspond, and spindly legs. For locomotion on that planet, where the force of gravity is so small, he would require little muscular effort. Indeed, he may have given up walking. Why walk when there are easy mechanical means for getting about? We ourselves are advancing in that direction, as evidenced by the invention and development of the automobile.

Belongs Difficult from Us

We are accustomed to consider that conditions as we find them in this world are established to fit our requirements. We are air-breathing animals; therefore an atmosphere is provided for our use. So likewise with everything else that goes to make up our environment.

This, however, is a totally mistaken view; the fact is exactly the opposite. We human beings are products of our environment, created and developed to fit it. Conditions on Mars are very different; hence it is to be presumed that the people there (if there are any beings properly so to be called) are very different from ourselves.

We certainly need to know them. They might teach us lots of things—for instance, how to deal with our desert problem. On all our continents the deserts are spreading at an alarming rate. One sixth of the total area of the United States today is desert. Large parts of the vast sandy waste of the Sahara, in Africa, were agriculturally fruitful within historic times. The Earth seems literally to be drying up, its surface waters being absorbed by the underlying rocks.

But Mars has been a desert planet for ages. If it is peopled by intelligent beings, they must long ago have learned how to deal with the problem. For water is the prime fundamental requisite of animal and plant life.

As for air to breathe, the Martians must be able to get along with much less of it than we require. Perhaps their lungs are of huge capacity, so that we may figure in our imagination the typical Martian as a human-like creature with a big head, a mighty chest, and spindly legs. Take into view his great presumable stature, he would seem to us a gigantic goblin endowed with superhuman intelligence.

Good Roads Essential To Tourist Traffic

Now that the Government has announced a policy of encouraging tourists to the country, one of the first essentials in that respect is good roads. If it is sincere in its announcement to develop the tourist traffic one of its first acts should be the establishing of a highway along the West Coast. A motor road from Port aux Basques to Deer Lake and the completion of the Bonne Bay road would be the means of bringing hundreds of tourists to the country and the introduction of many motor cars. The revenue derived therefrom would pay good returns for the outlay. Then the road may be extended to the East Coast, thus linking up the West with the East; in that way the East would also derive much direct benefit from the tourist traffic. Whether, however, the Government will get beyond the peninsula of Avalon in its tourist traffic policy, we have to wait and see.—Western Star.

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PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE DAVIS SAYS ON LAW ENFORCEMENT

"To the enforcement of the law, and all the law, we stand definitely pledged. We shall enforce it as fearlessly against wealth which endeavors to restrain trade and create monopoly, as against poverty that counterfeits the currency; as vigorously against ambition which seeks to climb to office through the corrupt use of money as against the lesser greed that robs the mails.

DRY LAW MUST BE ENFORCED

"For no reason that is apparent to me, the question has been asked as perhaps it will continue to be asked until it has been definitely answered, what views I hold concerning the enforcement of the eighteenth amendment and the statutes passed to put it into effect. Why the question? Is it not the law? I would hold in contempt any public official who took with uplifted hand an oath to support the constitution of the United States, making at the same time a mental reservation whereby a single word of that great document is excluded from his vow.

"An administrative officer is no more entitled to choose what statute he will or will not enforce than is a citizen to choose what laws he will or will not obey. As well might he ask to strike from the ten commandments those he was not inclined to keep. Obedience to the law is the first duty of every good citizen, whether he be rich or whether he be poor; enforcement of the law against every violator; rich or poor, is the solemn obligation of every official.

GOVERNMENT SHIPS

Argyle left Marystown 6.45 p.m. yesterday inward.

Clive left Moreton's Hr. 7.25 p.m. yesterday outward.

Argyle left Port-aux-Basques 1.05 a.m. with 35 first class, 20 second, and 10 third passengers. Also a few packages of freight.

Malakoff left New Perlican 1.10 p.m. yesterday inward.

Meigle arrived St. John's 12.15 yesterday, 4 cars of freight. Passenger list elsewhere in this issue.

Portia left Grand Bank 7.45 p.m. yesterday coming east.

Prospero left Seldom 1.45 p.m. yesterday coming south.

Sagona left Parsons Pond 7.20 p.m. yesterday inward.

Sebastopol left Argentina 4.30 yesterday, one second class passenger and 1 car of freight.

Preliminary Sixes Played

At Calver's Field last night, preliminary football sixes were played by the teams of the Junior League for the Highland Games, which take place on Wednesday next. The games were well fought and resulted as follows: Holy Cross vs. Cadets, won by Cadets, corner to nil; Scouts vs. B.I.S., won by Scouts, 1 corner to nil; Wesley vs. Gaelic, won by Wesley, 1 goal and 1 corner to 1 corner. The games for the sports will be T.A. vs. Cadets and Wesley vs. Scouts.

Newfoundland Motor Association

A General Meeting of the Nfld. Motor Association will be held at the Sterling Restaurant at 1.15 p.m. on Tuesday, the 26th inst., (by request of the Executive) Mr. H. A. Winter, B.A., will deliver a fifteen minute Address on "Road Repairing and Making" in Newfoundland.

P. E. OUTERBRIDGE,
Secretary-Treasurer.

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Newfoundland Government Railway.

SOUTH COAST STEAMSHIP SERVICE.

Passengers leaving St. John's on 8.45 a.m. train Tuesday, August 26th., will connect with S. S. Portia at Argentina for usual ports of call Argentina to Port aux Basques.

FREIGHT Freight for Marystown, Burin and Law Lawrence, and other ports on the above route, to Port aux Basques, received at freight shed to-day, Friday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

NORTHERN STEAMSHIP SERVICE—S. S. PROSPERO

Freight for ports of call on the above route, as advertised in Directory, and extra ports, namely:—Hooping Harbor, Williamsport, Canala Harbor, St. Julien's, Ship Cove, accepted at Dock Shed Monday, August 25th., from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and up to noon on Tuesday.

LABRADOR STEAMSHIP SERVICE—S.S. "MEIGLE"

S. S. Meigle will leave Dry Dock Wharf 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 26th., for regular Labrador ports of call.

HUMBERMOUTH-BATTLE HR. STEAMSHIP SERVICE.

Passengers leaving St. John's on express train 1 p.m. Sunday, August 24th., will connect with S.S. Sagona at Humbermouth for usual ports of call enroute to Battle Harbor.

GARDEN PARTY—CAPE BROYLE—SUNDAY, Aug. 24th.

Excursion train will leave St. John's D. pot. 2 p.m. Sunday, August 24th., for Cape Broyle, to accommodate people attending Garden Party, to be held by Rev. Fr. Maher. Train will stop at usual stations enroute. Returning, leave Cape Broyle 10.30 p.m.

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POLICE COURT

Judge Morris Warns Motor Bus Drivers

For driving past the Cross Roads on Wednesday afternoon while passengers were alighting from the street car, a motor bus driver was this morning fined \$5.00 and costs. It being his first offence, His Honor was lenient, but the Court said the practice of driving towards Bowring Park in motor busses is fraught with much danger to passengers alighting from street cars, and it would be well for vehicles to, in future, strictly conform to the law, otherwise they will be given the full penalty.

Two drunk and disorderlies were released upon payment of costs.

Meigle Arrives From Labrador

The S.S. Meigle arrived from Labrador last night, having gone as far north as Hopedale. The ship reports an improvement in the fishery all along the coast. At Black Tickle the day the Meigle was coming south one of the traps had 30 quintals in a haul. On the upper part of the shore hook and line men were getting some fish, while at Battle Harbor there was very fair hook and line fishing. The Meigle brought the equal of four carloads of freight and the following passengers: Mr. J. Moore, Mrs. Moore and 3 children, Mrs. S. Moore, Miss C. Cichelman, Wm. Ford, D. Duff, A. Love, B. M. Shipman, Miss J. O'Connell, B. A. Brazier, R. Dalton, W. B. Cabot, Major Moncrieff, J. Campagnon, Miss Martin and one second class. The ship sails north again on Tuesday morning.

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Canada's \$1.00 Sells At Par New York

NEW YORK, Aug. 23—According to The New York Times, Canadian dollars sold here yesterday at par for the first time since December, 1922, and several commercial transactions for account of small grain export houses were made at one thirty second of a point.

WINNIPEG, Aug. 23—Despite the set back to crop in its ripening stages in many districts throughout Western Canada, recurring rains of the past two weeks have proved of great benefit to other points where moisture was needed to aid grain fielding out.

The Prince Outwits Admirers

SOUTHAMPTON, ENGLAND, Aug. 23—The Prince of Wales who is sailing for America on the Boreangia today, outwitted those intending to give him a ceremonious send off by slipping quietly aboard the vessel early this morning. The Prince, who is leaving to visit his ranch in Alberta, will witness international polo matches at Meadowbrook, Long Island, and pay visit to President Coolidge at Washington before going to Canada. He determined there should be as little ceremony as possible in connection with his sailing. His Royal Highness late last night sped quietly out of London by automobile. He spent a few hours at Isle of Wight, about 20 miles from here, and boarded the Boreangia without hardly being noticed and immediately went to bed.

The Floating Cabaret Was Reporters Dream

NEW YORK, Aug. 23—The 17,000 ton floating Cabaret ship which was reported to be anchored beyond the 12 mile limit off New York to have been a scene of hilarious drinking parties was admitted today to be a myth.

The New York Herald-Tribune, which was the first newspaper to print the news concerning the imaginary ship in a copyrighted article says today, the discovery was a reporter's dream, and the reporter has been dismissed from the staff of the newspaper.

Big Sale of Dry Milk

LONDON, Aug. 23—It is learned here that a Canadian dry milk dealer at the Empire Exhibition at Wembley sold his output for next five years to British firm. Output is valued at \$800,000.

Last Evening's Game

Although the Feildians were faced with the unpleasant prospect of scoring three goals in the second period of the game which was played last night on St. George's Field, they never for a moment lost heart, and finally succeeded in tying the score.

The opposing team, the C.E.I., played a fine game, and during the first period continually attacked the Feildian goal. The persistence was rewarded, and before the half-time whistle called the players off the field, they had scored three goals. It looked as if the Feildians were up against it. Shortly after the second period had opened night began to fall, with the result that the game had to be finished almost in darkness. However, the Feildians were not idle and presently found the goal, which gave them new heart. Before the period ended they had repeated twice. This game must be played until one team wins. Therefore all players are requested to be on the field in time, so as to have the game finished before darkness sets in.

Mr. T. Delahunty refereed.

A Golden Jubilee

REV. CANON AND MRS. NETTEN.

A pleasing event took place at Topsail on Saturday, August 16th, when Rev. Canon and Mrs. Netten of St. John's, celebrated the Golden Jubilee of their wedding at Winsor's Hotel where they are spending a few weeks. Present at the function were three of their children Mrs. H. M. K. Whiteway of "Riverview" St. John's, and Messrs. Bert and Lex Netten; three other sons reside in Canada and the States. The presence of a few family connections and intimate friends added to the pleasure of the occasion, and some valuable gifts, mostly in gold, were received by the happy couple. A magnificent wedding cake placed the centre of the festal table, which was charmingly decorated with hot house flowers. The toast of the evening was proposed by their son in law, Mr. H. M. K. Whiteway, who, in a happy speech, congratulated the venerable couple on attaining their Golden Anniversary, to which the Canon gracefully replied. His many friends will rejoice to learn that the Canon's health has greatly improved during his stay in Topsail, and that the famous Topsail air has succeeded in making a new man of him. In fact, so interesting are both, it is difficult to believe that fifty varied years of married life have passed over their heads. We congratulate them heartily and wish them many more serene and happy years along the path that leads to the Golden Jubilee.

Additional Passengers By The Silvia

W. A. Dover, C. W. Rochester, E. N. Johnson, J. J. Quilley, Miss Mary Kelly, Mrs. W. E. Rye, Mrs. W. W. Leunow, Miss Agnes Hall, Miss R. Joyce, Miss M. Duff, Mrs. R. Sheppard, Miss S. Gosse, Rev. A. G. Bowring, Mrs. Walcott and three children, Mrs. C. F. Davis, E. Moore, Mrs. M. Gardner, Mrs. M. Sullivan, J. J. Laracy, Miss S. E. Parrott, F. C. Hill.

Off For Grand Falls

By a special train tonight the city football team will pay a visit to Grand Falls to play a series of games with the paper city. The city team comprises of the best material available, and should give a good account of themselves in the series. The first game will be played on Monday and other games on Wednesday and Friday. Return to the city will be made on next Saturday's express. The Grand Falls athletes are looking forward to the city team's visit and feel confident that they can wrest the honors from the capital this time.

All Aboard For Cape Broyle

A special train will leave the railway station at 2 p.m. tomorrow for Cape Broyle for the purpose of taking along intending patrons to the annual garden party, which event promises to be one of the most enjoyable outings of the season. The energetic pastor and his aides have made extensive preparations to entertain the visitors. The train leaves Cape Broyle on the return trip at 10.30 p.m.

CHURCH SERVICES

CHURCH OF ENGLAND
Cathedral—8, Holy Communion; 11, Mattins; 4.15, Holy Baptism; 6.30, Evensong.

St. Thomas—8, Holy Communion; 11, Morning Prayer and Sermon, preacher Rev. Canon Bolt; 3, Young People's Service, Canon Wood Hall; 4, Holy Baptism; 6.30, Evening Prayer and Sermon, preacher Rev. W. E. Godfrey, subject: "Monotonous and Momentous."

METHODIST
Gower Street—11 and 6.30, Rev. Hammond Johnson.
George Street—11 and 6.30, Rev. R. E. Fairbairn.
Cochrane Street—11 and 6.30, Rev. C. H. Johnson.
Wesley—11 and 6.30, Rev. H. Bursey.

Gospel Mission—Services at 2.45 and 7.

PRESBYTERIAN
St. Andrew's—11 and 6.30, Rev. Robert J. Power, M.A.

CONGREGATIONAL
Queen's Road—11 and 6.30, Rev. B. M. Nichol.

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Lot 5 Furniture & Fittings—Main Store.

Lot 6 Furniture & Fittings—West End Branch.

Tenders to be in Trustee's hands not later than 6 p.m. Tuesday, August 26th; Tenders in respect of more than one lot must indicate the amount offered for each separate lot; the inventory sheets may be inspected and other information supplied, either at the premises or at the Office of the undersigned; Goods to be removed within ten days after acceptance of tender; the highest or any tender not necessarily accepted; envelopes containing tenders to be marked "Tenders for Stock" and to be addressed to

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A REQUEST TO MOTORISTS

FOR KIND CONSIDERATION.

It has been brought to the attention of the Newfoundland Motor Association that there are several thousand people in the city who do not own motor cars and who walk to Bowring Park on Sunday and holiday afternoons.

It is a well-known fact that these citizens are deluged with dust in the fine weather and often spattered with mud in wet weather, as however careful a driver may be, it is usually impossible not to raise dust and sometimes it is impossible to prevent splashing when driving through the mud.

The Association has therefore decided to issue a personal request to Motorists generally not to use the Southside Road on Sunday, Holiday and Half Holiday afternoons, thereby affording the many people in the city who do not own cars an opportunity to walk to the Park in some degree of comfort on Sundays and holidays. (This request, of course, does not apply to motorists living on the Southside nor motorists wishing to call at houses on the Southside on these afternoons). This is an appeal to Motorists, not an order nor a demand. A little consideration is all that is asked and the Association believes that Motorists, generally, are considerate.

Issued by the Executive and Road Committee.
THE NEWFOUNDLAND MOTOR ASSOCIATION,
P. E. OUTERBRIDGE, Sec'y-Treas.

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